

HOUSE RESOLUTION 262

By Powers

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of James E. Reynolds of LaFollette.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of James E. "Jim" Reynolds; and

WHEREAS, Jim Reynolds was an exemplary public servant and consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for his fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Reynolds served with acumen and alacrity as an educator in the Campbell County School System for more than thirty years, in which position he earned the respect of his peers and students alike for the exemplary quality of his work. He was also the owner of LaFollette Western Auto and enjoyed flying airplanes, fishing, and hunting; and

WHEREAS, a member of this country's Greatest Generation, Jim Reynolds served with valor and bravery as a member of the United States Marine Corps during World War II, during which time he served in the Pacific Theatre of military operations; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Reynolds earned a bachelor's degree from Carson-Newman College before attending the University of Tennessee, from which he earned a Master of Science degree; and

WHEREAS, a dedicated contributor to the well-being of his community, Jim Reynolds was a member of Campbell County Masonic Lodge #778 F&AM for more than sixty years, was a Shriner and a member of Knoxville Kerbela Temple, held membership in the Grand York Rite Bodies of Tennessee, and was a member of the Lion's Club; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Reynolds was an active and devout member of the LaFollette First Baptist Church, which he served faithfully for many years as a member and Sunday school teacher; and

WHEREAS, he was deeply devoted to his family and always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, Jim Reynolds enjoyed the loving companionship of his wife of seventy-five years, Mildred Childress Reynolds, and was the proud father and father-in-law of Janice and Howard Tibbals; and

WHEREAS, he will be sorely missed by his grandchildren, Barry Elkins, Betsy Wyrick, and Barsha Saliba Landreth; his great-grandchildren, Jake Elkins, Reid Elkins, Blake Wyrick, Emily Wyrick, Charlie Wyrick, and Andrew Saliba; his six step-grandchildren; his ten step-great-grandchildren; his step-great-great-grandchild; his brother and sister-in-law, Jack and Mary Lou Reynolds; and a host of nieces, nephews, and loved ones; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Reynolds was preceded in death by his parents, David and Nell Trammell Reynolds, and siblings, David Reynolds, Mabel Hill, Jessie Gran, and Aileen Sharp; and

WHEREAS, Jim Reynolds leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we honor the memory of James E. Reynolds, reflecting fondly upon his impeccable character and his stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Mr. Reynolds.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.